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Re the Application of: KANAYA, Masatoshi, et al.

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For: **METHOD OF DETECTING AND REMOVING UNSTRIPPED RESIDUAL SHELL LEFT ON SHELLFISH, AND APPARATUS THEREFOR**

Attorney Docket No.: 020287
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Commissioner for Patents
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June 3, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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